

BULLER GAINS POINT.

Says He's Arrived on South Bank of Tugela River.

A SEIZED PAGIETR'S DRIFT.

More of the British Losses in the Ladysmith Engagement.

London, Jan. 12.—Gen. Buller cables, dated Springfield, 9:20 last evening: "I occupied south bank of Tugela river at Pagieter's Drift this morning and seized this point. River in flood. Enemy strongly entrenched four and a half miles north."

London, Jan. 12.—Apart from the definite news that Buller had commenced a second attempt to cross the Tugela river, the only official news this morning is the list of casualties among the British officers in the fight at Ladysmith Jan. 6, showing 13 killed and 27 wounded.

London, Jan. 12.—The war office announces the British casualties at Ladysmith Jan. 6 among the rank and file were 135 killed and 242 wounded.

PARLIAMENT CALLED.

British Leg here to Meet Again on the 10th of Present Month.

London, Jan. 12.—The queen has proclaimed a meeting of parliament for Jan. 20.

London, Jan. 12.—The Standard has the following dispatch, dated Monday, from Pretoria: "Our patrols have searched both flanks of the Boer position. They found a large camp five miles east of Colenso, evidently an indication of a British attempt at a turning movement."

The Daily Mail says: "We learn that in the attack on Ladysmith last Saturday, Jan. 6, the British losses were 14 officers, 34 wounded and over 800 non-commissioned officers and men killed or wounded."

Plenty of Food at Ladysmith. "The Boer losses, we hear, are estimated at between 2,000 and 3,000."

A dispatch to The Daily Mail from Pietermaritzburg, dated Jan. 8, says: "Private advices from Ladysmith dated Jan. 2 say that rations of bread and meat are plentiful, and the garrison had not then touched the 'bully' beef and biscuit supplies. Luxuries are scarce in Ladysmith. The hospitals are well supplied with milk and the horses are in good condition."

Germany Probably Satisfied. Berlin, Jan. 12.—It is asserted that the German cruisers Schwalbe and Condor, which were ordered to Delagoa bay, have been instructed to proceed to Cape Town. This indicates a belief in German official circles that the contraband controversy will be amicably settled.

London, Jan. 12.—The Standard, in an editorial upon the government's reply to Choate and Count von Buelow, says: "We shall be much surprised if the British government's definition of international law as applied to the carriage of foodstuffs fails to find acceptance at Washington and Berlin."

Waiting the Arrival of Roberts. London, Jan. 12.—The Cape Town correspondent of The Daily Mail, telegraphing Monday, says: "The vanguard of the Sixth division is waiting at Table Bay until the arrival of Lord Roberts. H. M. S. Fearless seized the bark Maria, which arrived at Port Elizabeth Saturday from the Argentine with sulphur."

WHAT THEY SAID OF SHERMAN.

They Say of Methuen, Who Apparently Is Not Crazy as Any Rule.

New York, Jan. 12.—History repeats itself, they say. Along in the 60's, during the war of the rebellion, the news-makers used to declare Grant a sot and Sherman a lunatic. So it seems now, that the British officers in South Africa must "come under the rod" of the critical special. A special to The Tribune from London yesterday morning said that "on the highest authority" he was enabled to state that General Methuen has been recalled to England, and intimating very broadly

that the recall was because Methuen was a lunatic.

If that is the case there is much more reason than ever to criticize the British cabinet, for like the Washington government in the 60's, the "crazy" general is not recalled, and the British government has taken the trouble to—as stated in a press dispatch from London—"deny the report published in the United States that General Methuen has been recalled."

French Loyal to the Empire.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 12.—A Winnipeg special to The Dispatch says: The mounted police for South Africa had a great send-off at Regina Wednesday night. Lieutenant Governor Forget, who is a French-Canadian, said the men of his race were as loyal to the queen as those born at the foot of the throne. The men leave on Monday.

OTIS ON THE CAMPAIGN.

Says Our Men Are Sweeping Things Right and Left in the Philippines.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Otis cables an account of the progress of the campaign to the south of Manila since the opening of the year. It shows our men are driving the rebels in every direction, scattering them with heavy losses in killed, wounded, prisoners and ordnance, while our casualties are extremely light.

BOY GUILTY OF MURDER.

Degenerate of 16 Years Who Killed His 10-Year Old Cousin.

Anthony, Kans., Jan. 12.—Guilty of murder in the first degree was the verdict rendered yesterday in the case of John Kornstett, the 16-year-old boy who has been on trial here for the murder of his cousin, Nora Kornstett, a 10-year-old girl. In June last the child went to a field where Kornstett was plowing, and was not seen again until two days later, when she was found in an abandoned well.

She was taken out unconscious and died within a few hours. When arrested the youth admitted having thrown the child into the well after having brutally attacked her.

Bishop Rademacher Dead.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Jan. 12.—Right Rev. Joseph Rademacher, Roman Catholic bishop of Fort Wayne, died today after a protracted illness.

Spotted Tail Dead.

Paris, Jan. 12.—Spotted Tail, the famous Sioux chief, who has been exhibiting here, died of heart disease yesterday, aged 89.

TELEGRAPH BRIEFS.

Several thousand people saw the funeral of Rev. Methuen at the funeral obsequies in his old parish church, St. Stephens, New York.

Julia Morrison, who killed Stage Manager Leidenheimer at Chattanooga last year, the murder taking place behind the scenes in the theater, was acquitted by a jury at Chattanooga amid the cheers of the crowd present in court.

Colonel A. D. Hope died at Roselle, N. J. Colonel Hope, who was 83 years old, had charge of the first train to Washington during the civil war.

William Klatz, 15 years old, accidentally shot and killed Fred Schultz, aged 14, in front of the latter's home at Chicago.

Reports from Pasadena, Cal., are to the effect that Philip D. Armour would make his home there, but this is denied in Chicago.

Michael J. Sampson, a Chicago embezzler, has sailed from Liverpool in custody of officers.

David Mann and Jerry Trumbly were held at Chicago to the grand jury at the coroner's inquest, charged with killing of Roger O'Brien, who was one of a mob attacking Mann and Trumbly.

The Austrians are going to raise the ground rent on their New York property.

Commander F. E. Green, of the Montgomery, Admiral Schley's flagship, committed suicide at Montevideo. He was born in Indiana.

Death of an Iowa Old Fellow.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 12.—William Musson, one of the leading Odd Fellows of Iowa, died instantly of heart failure yesterday at his home. He was the founder of the Iowa Odd Fellows' annuity insurance. Wednesday the annual election of the society was held, and he was deposed as president. Grief as a result of his failure to secure a reelection is given as the cause of death.

Altgeld Speaks for Fusion.

Huron, S. D., Jan. 12.—Ex-Governor Altgeld delivered the first of five speeches in South Dakota in the interests of the Fusion party to a large gathering here last night. He spoke for nearly two hours, discussing local, state and national ownership. He declared that the war in Luzon is carried on only by the right of conquest and brute force.

Well-Known Female Doctor Dead.

Boston, Jan. 12.—Dr. Elizabeth J. French, of Philadelphia, one of the best known women physicians in the country, died at her daughter's home here yesterday.

Fire in a Minnesota Town.

Dassel, Minn., Jan. 12.—Fire last night destroyed the principal business section here, entailing a loss of over \$50,000, and including the postoffice.

Essential Facts.

"I called in," said the puffy little man, "to say that your story about the fire next door to me yesterday was all wrong."

"All wrong?" asked the editor.

"Yes, sir! Why, hang it, sir, I spell my name with two s's, and I make soap, not shoe blacking!"—Philadelphia North American.

Ten thousand shares of Standard Gas bought at 36 and sold at 140 netted Russell Sage over \$1,000,000.

MONTANA'S SCANDAL.

Further Testimony to Prove That Her Last Senatorial Toga Was Purchased.

THREE NEW WITNESSES IN COURT.

One of Them Shows the Veritable \$50,000 In Cash That Has Figured in the Case—Others Tell of Big Money That Was Offered for Votes—Pettigrew Makes a Rather Sensational Anti-Expansion Speech—Case of the British Seizures Officially Stated.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Further evidence against Senator Clark, of Montana, was heard by the investigating committee today.

Two or three witnesses testified to Clark's agents having offered large sums of money for legislative votes for Clark for senator.

Washington, Jan. 12.—More progress was made yesterday in the senatorial investigation case of Senator Clark, of Montana, than on any previous day of the sittings of the senate committee on privileges and elections in this case. Whiteside concluded his testimony, and three other witnesses, State Treasurer Collins, State Senator W. A. Clark, of Madison county, a namesake but not a relative of the senator, and Fred W. Cowan, a railroad conductor residing at Missoula, the home of Speaker Stiff, of the Montana house of representatives, were heard. Collins' statement related to the depositing of the \$50,000 in \$10,000 bills turned over to the legislative investigating committee by Whiteside and by that committee deposited with the treasurer. Collins exhibited this money.

Senator Clark's namesake detailed the particulars of his acceptance of \$10,000 from Wellcome, said to be one of Clark's managers, on the understanding that he was to vote for Clark for the senate.

For the witness saw the money, he had only accepted the money for the purpose of exposing the proceeding. Cowan's connection with the proceeding was confined to a visit to Helena at the request of Bickford, one of the senator's friends. Cowan's hope that he could influence the vote of Speaker Stiff. He said that Mr. Bickford had told him that Mr. Clark would pay Stiff \$15,000 to refrain from voting, but that the proposition was withdrawn and was never presented by him to Stiff.

W. A. Clark testified that Wellcome said to him: "We want you with us, and we want you hard," adding, "we are going to get the votes necessary to elect our man, and if we don't get them one way we will get them another."

"I asked Wellcome what there was in it," the witness continued, "and he replied, 'There's \$10,000 for you, provided you comply with the condition, the condition being that I vote for Clark as long as required.'"

Asked for Time to See Clark.

Cowan's testimony was to the effect that W. E. Bickford asked him to see Clark the same day. Speaker Stiff, of the Montana house of representatives, the witness testified that Bickford had said that up to that time—the 14th of January last—Stiff had been unable to secure Stiff's support for Clark, and that they were willing to pay \$15,000 for that support. The witness had suggested that as Stiff was committed to Conrad the offer of \$15,000 should be made to him to simply stay away from the vote was refused, not casting any vote for a candidate for the senate. Bickford had asked for time to see Clark, and when they had next met had told him that \$45,000 would be paid if Stiff would refrain from voting, and that \$1,000 would be given to him for his services. Later Bickford had said that Clark had become apprehensive that Stiff would not stand by the bargain and had called the deal off.

MUCH SPEAKING IN THE SENATE.

Philippine Islands Again the Subject of an Extended Debate.

Washington, Jan. 12.—A spirited and at times sensational debate was precipitated in the senate yesterday on the Philippine question, the basis for the speaking being a resolution of inquiry offered several days ago by Pettigrew to which substitutes were proposed. Pettigrew attacked the administration's policy in the Philippines, and also made startling charges against those who were supporting the administration. He declared that a systematic effort was being made to prevent accurate information from reaching the people of the United States, and that it was a political scheme to further the candidacy of McKinley for renomination and reelection.

"If," said the senator, "I were a Filipino I would fight until I was gray against the unholty aggression of the United States. If this country is wrong this country could take no grander position before the nations of the world than to admit that it is wrong. Then he 'took a whack' at British aggression and the time to take up the financial bill shut off further debate. Hour had offered a resolution calling for Philippine information as well as Pettigrew, and Lodge offered an amendment to Hour's resolution widening its scope very greatly. He said his desire for all information concerning the insurrection was great. It had been stated, he said, that there was danger of an uprising in Manila by the Filipinos, with the object of murdering Americans and all foreigners. It had been stated also that Filipinos had threatened to throw bombs into the funeral procession of General Lawton. He wanted information upon these points as well as upon others. He wanted to know what information the government possessed as to reprisals placed upon other tribes by Aguinaldo and the Tagalos. He wanted especially to know how the Filipinos had treated

American and Spanish prisoners; there being wide divergence of information upon that point.

It was a matter, too, of common report that the anti-imperialist league had been urging our soldiers to oppose the war. This work, Lodge thought, had had little effect because of the insignificance of the persons engaged in it. Little attention had been paid by the government to this treasonable action, "because," said Lodge, "no sensible man wants to convert a bore into a martyr, even though the bore be unrepentant."

Lodge wanted to table all the resolutions except Hour's as amended by him (Lodge) and adopt the latter, but Pettigrew objected. He wanted specific information, he said, and his resolution asked for it. The end of it was that nothing was done with any of the resolutions and they lie on the table.

TRUST QUESTION COMES UP.

Allen Wants the Subject Thelcted Into the Figures of the Census.

Washington, Jan. 12.—While the senate yesterday was discussing the census Allen of Nebraska proposed an amendment providing for the collection of statistics relating to trusts. He was defeated by a viva voce vote. Allen demanded the yeas and nays and wanted to know of Carter if he proposed to deny this information to the people. Carter replied that the amendment was simply a proposition that a \$3 a day enumerator or a \$500 clerk should determine what institutions in an official document are criminal.

He held that these institutions were entitled to their day in court. "If these institutions are trusts," he said, "if they are in violation of law, they are entitled to be heard before the laws of the country shall be applied to them."

Allen declared that the effort to prevent the gathering of information regarding trusts was a scheme to sidetrack him. "There is some hidden power," he said, "in congress respecting this resolution." He said he had no disposition among senators to say: "The public be damned," and he had no idea there was any intention to gather information regarding trusts.

CASE OF THE BRITISH SEIZURES.

Official Statement of What the Salisbury Government Has Concluded.

Washington, Jan. 12.—The following official statement was given out by the state department yesterday: "A telegram has been received from Ambassador Choate reporting an interview had by him with the Marquis de Salisbury on the afternoon of the 10th instant in regard to the American shipments of flour and provisions on the detained British steamers Beatrice and Mashona, and the Dutch steamer Maritima."

"The British position as to foodstuffs and hostile destination is that they can only be considered contraband of war if supplied for the enemy's forces, it not being sufficient that they are capable of being used by the enemy. It was shown that this was their destination at the time of seizure. This qualification virtually concedes the American contention that the goods were not subject to seizure and practically disavows the British position, but it does not show that there is any evidence of hostile destination."

Senate Proceedings Briefed.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Three resolutions asking for Philippine information now lie on the senate table. Pettigrew's, Hour's and Lodge's, the latter being all embracing. Pettigrew made a long speech denouncing imperialism yesterday, and Stewart spoke against the financial bill. Spooner introduced a resolution putting the Philippine government into the president's hands until congress acts. A bill to confer more powers on the governor director was passed, and a bill increasing the cost of the Indianapolis public building. An executive session was held. Adjourned to Monday.

Dewey on the Capture of Manila.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Responding to the senate's resolution of inquiry, Secretary Long yesterday sent to the senate a copy of Admiral Dewey's report from Hong Kong dated March 31, 1898, relative to the capture of Manila. With reference to the job of taking Manila the admiral wrote: "I believe I am not over-confident in stating that with the squadron now under my command the vessels could be taken and the defenses of Manila reduced in one day. There is every reason to believe that with Manila taken, or even blockaded, the rest of the islands would fall either to the insurgents or ourselves."

President to Govern the Islands.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Spooners yesterday introduced in the senate the following resolution: "That when all insurrection against the authority and sovereignty of the United States in the Philippine islands shall have been completely suppressed * * * civil and judicial powers necessary to govern the said islands shall until otherwise provided by congress be vested in such persons and shall be exercised in such a manner as the president of the United States shall direct."

Roberts Committee Is Still Apart.

Washington, Jan. 12.—The Roberts investigating committee held a protracted executive session yesterday in hope of reaching a conclusion, but so many legal questions were discussed that a final result was not reached, nor any vote taken indicating the standing of the committee.

Ruling in a Bankruptcy Case.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 12.—In the bankruptcy case of Mrs. F. M. Pope, of Des Moines, yesterday Judge Shiras held that the property of wives who have been deserted by their husbands, or who have secured divorces for cruel and inhuman treatment or the like, is exempt under the present bankruptcy law, if they are heads of families, and that temporary departure from home, instead, with the purpose of returning and occupying it later, does not nullify the rights to the homestead property.

CAUSE OF HIS DEATH.

A Chemist Will Try to Decide What Killed Vanatta.

A MYSTERY AT BLOOMINGTON.

Traveling Men's Protective Association Pushing Investigation—Result of Autopsy Not Satisfactory—Cook County Politicians Expected Gov. Tanner's Latest Move.

Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 12.—A second examination of the remains of Vanatta, the traveling man who died recently in Chicago, and was buried in Bloomington, was made Tuesday and the stomach was removed and given to F. D. Barber, professor of chemistry at the State Normal university, at Normal, for analysis. The fact that embalming fluid was used upon Vanatta's body complicates the problem which is before the chemist. The body was examined last week and an autopsy held for the purpose of ascertaining the cause of the death.

The coroner's jury who witnessed the autopsy rendered a verdict that death resulted from perforation of the stomach, resulting from chronic ulceration or corrosive poisoning. The result of the autopsy was not satisfactory to the Traveling Men's Protective association, of Chicago, who brought it about, and in which association Vanatta was insured for \$5,000. The Bloomington doctors who performed the autopsy were of the opinion that death was caused by ulceration of the stomach, but testified that death might have been caused by corrosive poison.

WHAT THEY WERE EXPECTING.

Cook County Politicians Were Looking for Governor Tanner's Move.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—The definite announcement from Springfield that Governor Tanner is a candidate for United States senator and intends to try to lay Shelby M. Cullom on the shelf caused little surprise among Cook county Republican politicians. The opinion now prevails that the Tanner and Cullom forces are lined up for a fight to the finish.

The fact that Cullom's best political friends have been working for Representative Reeves' gubernatorial candidacy has been sufficient to convince most observers that serious trouble was brewing between the governor and the senator, especially when Tanner was opposing Reeves at every turn of the road.

Water-Power of the Drainage Canal.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—Terms for the lease of the water-power of the drainage canal were agreed upon yesterday at a conference held in the office of Trustee Jones in the Tacoma building. The city is to have the use of the water-power for a period of seventy-five years, with the understanding that it is to be used for municipal purposes only. The city is to pay \$4 per year for horse power used, and measurements are to be made at the water-wheel at Lockport. The power will be used to light

the streets and operate the water-pumping stations.

Smallpox at Shawneetown.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 12.—Several cases of smallpox were reported to the state board of health yesterday morning from Shawneetown and Blissfield township, Jefferson county. The secretary of the board reported that over 200 cases of smallpox had been reported during the quarter. The disease was found in seventeen counties. The secretary ascribed the wide spread of the disease to the fact that the malady was diagnosed as chickenpox. It is thought the epidemic is now under control.

Horse Commits Suicide.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—"Dick," an iron-gray horse owned by Officer Jno. Finn, of the Chicago avenue station, committed suicide in his stall Wednesday night. The animal tore the flesh off its breast with its teeth and then bled to death. Just what the cause for the act was a mystery to the owner. "Dick" had not been well for several days and it is the general belief that the animal became insane.

Illinois Poultry Show.

Quincy, Ill., Jan. 12.—The sixth annual meeting and exhibition of Illinois Poultry and Pet Stock association is open here with about 200 different exhibitors. It is the largest show the association has had. The sessions and exhibition continue all the week.

REACHING A SETTLEMENT.

American and French Gunboats Reported to Be So Doing at Santo Domingo.

Santo Domingo, Jan. 12.—The United States gunboat Machias and one more French warship have arrived here. The French admiral had a conference with the government. It is rumored the difficulty is being settled satisfactorily.

Elevated Milwaukee-Chicago Road.

Milwaukee, Jan. 12.—An elevated electric railroad between Milwaukee and Chicago seems probable in the not far distant future. The road is built it will be on plans covering the patents of L. F. Cook, of elevated electric railroad fame. A number of Milwaukee business men have become interested and have agreed to bear the expense of the construction of one mile of the road, the contracts for which are expected to be let in a few days. Mr. Cook claims for his system a speed of from 60 to 100 miles per hour.

Decendant of Benedict Arnold.

McConville, Ill., O., Jan. 12.—Alonzo Jones, aged 87, a great-grandson of Benedict Arnold, of revolutionary fame, died Wednesday night. He was one of the best known and most highly respected farmers in the county.

Crime With No Known Reason.

Spencer, Neb., Jan. 12.—M. Jacoby shot and instantly killed Milton Nelson in the home of the latter yesterday and then killed himself. There is no known cause for the crime.

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WRECKED AND AFIRE.

The Fate of a Steamer Ashore at St. Marys.

NO HOPE FOR PASSENGERS.

Belief That All on Board Will Perish in Flames.

St. Johns, N. F., Jan. 12.—Related reports from St. Marys say the steamer ashore there is a complete wreck. Only three survivors were visible at nightfall. Some bodies are visible in the surf. The ship is on fire at. There is no hope that the lives of any on board can be saved.

On a Reef.

St. Johns, N. F., Jan. 12.—A large steamer, believed to be a passenger ship whose name cannot yet be ascertained, has been wrecked on a reef in St. Marys Bay, about five miles from shore. The vessel, which lies with her head low in the water, is on fire. Several persons have been washed off the deck during yesterday. Just before nightfall others were desecrated in the rigging. It was feared that these would perish before daybreak. At this writing it is impossible to secure any further particulars, nor can any be obtained before some time today.

CLOSE CALL TO BIG FIRE.

Colorado Springs Visited by a \$150,000 Blaze.

Colorado Springs, Col., Jan. 12.—The entire business portion of the city is threatened by fire which broke out at 4 this morning. The flames spread rapidly, but were controlled after three buildings were destroyed. The loss is \$150,000.

BURGLARS' BIG LIFT.

Get \$15,000 in an Indiana Bank Robbery.

Owensville, Ind., Jan. 12.—The safe in the McGinnis bank was blown open last night. It is reported that \$15,000 was taken. The burglars escaped.

Nicaragua Canal Bill Passes.

Washington, Jan. 12.—The canal bill, substantially the same as reported by the committee in the last congress, passed. It appropriates \$140,000,000 for the work.

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